

# Revolution Grips Panama

## OUTLAWS KILL EIGHT MARINES IN NICARAGUA

**Ambushed Americans  
Slay or Wound  
12 Attackers**

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Jan. 2.—(INS)—Outlaw bullets in the jungles of northern Nicaragua snapped the lives of eight United States marines Wednesday and inflicted serious wounds on two other enlisted men of the same patrol, who were brought here by airplane today.

The casualties, the heaviest sustained by the "leathernecks" since New Year's day in 1928, were inflicted by lurking attackers in the wilderness of Archapaga, between Ocoel and Apall, where followers of the insurgent Augusto Sandino were lately reported to have been operating again.

Meagre reports filtering back to marine barracks here indicated that although the ambushed patrol was badly outnumbered and faced an enemy almost completely hidden by jungle growth, it stood to the last man and returned the bandit fire shot for shot. As far as could be ascertained, between 12 and 20 of the attackers were either killed or wounded.

Fifty marines were sent in pursuit of the ambushing party. As far as could be learned, a Nicaraguan heard heavy firing in the jungle and reported it to marine headquarters at Ocoel. Shortly after, a riderless mule belonging to the outfit came into camp, warning the marine post that their comrades had run into trouble. Reinforcements immediately set off in the direction of the firing.

According to information here, they found that the attack began before noon Wednesday. The bandits were automatic weapons, and the marines were shot and wounded.

Private Jackson stuck to his position until all others were dead and the bandits left, crawling to a cornfield to bind his wounded shoulder.

## County Board of Education Meets Here February 9

Plans for the first meeting of the county board of education will be held on Monday, Feb. 9, at the court house, were announced today by E. D. Bradley, county superintendent.

Consideration of text books for the coming five-year period, will be an important feature of the session. The present contract expires this year, and any changes in the books that are deemed necessary will be made at that time. At this meeting, the board will set a date for a special meeting to be held some time in March, when the contract for text-books will be let and representatives of the various book concerns will be heard. Two regular meetings will be held each year, the second in August.

Members of the county board are E. D. Bradley, county superintendent; Fred W. Johnson and Charles J. Braden, trustees; Will R. Schmitt, Nicholas, Dr. H. P. Mason, Wilton Junction; George F. Broders, Stockton; and J. L. Nichols, West Liberty.

## Pair to Try Flight To Paris Tomorrow

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—(INS)—Capt. William S. McClaren and Mrs. Beryl Hart announced today that they would take off in a plane for Paris before daylight tomorrow.

The fliers plan to take the southern trans-Atlantic route stopping at Bermuda and the Azores. They said they expected to be in Paris about 40 hours after hopping off from Curtis airport at North Beach, Queens. If all goes well, it will be a round-trip flight to Paris and return.

## 11 Days Elapse, And No Reply to Baker Challenge

11 DAYS have elapsed and Gardner Cowles, publisher of the Des Moines Register, has failed to answer the challenge of Norman Baker, owner and operator of the Baker Hospital in Muscatine. Mr. Baker on Dec. 22 deposited in the American Savings bank here a certified check for \$5,000 which he said would be forfeited to charity if The Register or anyone could prove he misrepresented when he said cancer was cured at the Baker hospital.

The Register published a story and editorial on Dec. 20 intimating Mr. Baker's statements that his hospital had cured cancer were false.

## What About This?

In these times of depression, there are many more things to be considered than one's personal finances. What we need is more economy in our national, state county and city offices, where the people's money, in many instances, is played with as a child does a football. How nice it would be, if every dollar paid in taxes produced a dollar's worth of good for the people.

Muscatine County is like all others. We have just as good supervisors and county officials as any other county, but there is something about governmental affairs that prevents them from being handled in as careful and detailed manner as one handles his own private business.

To use the people's money seems to be very easy on the part of some, and the subtle manner in which they accomplish this is truly remarkable. For instance: In time past, when the public was sleeping and deceived by the innocent appearance of the matter, a law was put through the Iowa legislature permitting counties to appropriate money toward county "Health Units", and now somebody has made it possible to create a new office which, if appointed will take a few more thousand dollars of the people's money.

Muscatine County is quite deep in debt, and we do not believe that our county supervisors should consider the matter of a special assessor or some other special position in the year 1931, but should wait until we get caught up with our debts and then give the matter a little thought if they wish. It has been rumored that a former county employee, who has held a county position for years at the courthouse, has already been "lined up" for a position created especially for him. If there's going to be any "cream" to drink, why not pass it around, if it must be passed around, to something more worthwhile? If such an office must be created it should be started with one without friends or enemies—with a clean slate, starting the New Year properly.

In these things of public interest, there are many who both agree and disagree and those who do not want such a condition, detesting it the most, generally remain dormant and say, "That's right, 'That's so' but they do nothing about it. We would suggest that the residents of Muscatine County write letters immediately to the County Board of Supervisors, protesting against the creation of any new office for the time being, at least.

What do some of you farmers think about it, especially you who have to work mighty hard 365 days every year, with scarcely enough time for recreation on Sundays. This office, if it must be created, might well be passed along to some farmer, of whom we have many thousands in this county. In other words, if one has a stomach ache he sees a doctor, not a lawyer; and if one wants to deal with farm folk, why not see a farmer instead of all the city chaps? All of this applies, of course, if the office has not already been created.

## JOFFRE STILL CLINGS TO LIFE

**No Change Noted in  
Condition During  
The Night**

PARIS, Jan. 2.—(INS)—Marshal Joffre, breathing fairly regularly as if in the deep sleep, was reported unchanged today after more than 20 hours of continued unconsciousness.

An official bulletin issued by the three attending physicians at 12:15 p. m. today (8:15 a. m. Iowa time) said:

"The night passed without incident. There was no change in the Marshal's general condition. Leaving the hospital where his stricken superior has warded off death since two weeks ago tomorrow, Colonel de Mases said:

"Marshal Joffre is sleeping and breathing heavily, but regular. He has not taken any nourishment since 11 a. m. New Year's day."

According to those who have watched the old soldier, now with-in ten days of his 70th birthday, he has moved or stirred only rarely since sinking into the comatose state. That and the beating of his heart remained the only signs of life.

## Fire Causes \$2,000 Loss at Washington

WASHINGTON, Ia., Jan. 2.—(Special)—Smoke damage that may exceed \$2,000, was caused here last night by a fire in the Phillips and Heber Drug store. While flames did little damage to the building, the smoke spread and damaged the Oetjen Seed store, the R. M. Smith apartment building and the Bridget apartments.

The fire, believed to have been caused by an overheated furnace, broke out at 11 o'clock and burned about an hour and a half. The loss is covered by insurance.

## FREERS QUIT COUNTY OFFICE

**Veteran Employee of  
Court House Ends  
Long Service**

With a record of service with the county dating back to 37 years ago, H. B. Freers, superintendent of the court house and heating plant, presented his resignation to the board of supervisors this morning. Action on the selection of his successor was expected some time today.

"Hen," as he is more familiarly known to the officers and employees at the court house, has served continuously since he began his work with the county 37 years ago, with exception of three years. He now plans to go into retirement after a life of active and faithful service.

Mr. Freers can recall that during all of his service as a county employee, the board of supervisors has been republican, excepting three years. During the one exception, the board members were democrats and ousted the republican employees, he said.

There were three members on the board of supervisors when Mr. Freers began his work with the county. They were John Rice, Ira Hendricks and August Schulte, the latter of West Liberty. Other county officers recalled by Mr. Freers were the late E. C. Stoker, auditor, Silas Johnson, treasurer, Joe Eels, clerk of the court, William Schenck, recorder, E. A. Allbee, superintendent of schools, and R. J. Wiley, sheriff.

## Quake Recorded at College in Denver

DENVER, Jan. 2.—(INS)—An earthquake of the first magnitude was registered on the seismograph at St. Regis College here early today, according to Father A. W. Forstall.

## LEGGE REPLIES TO CHARGES OF FARM LEADER

**Asserts Farm Board  
Has Raised Prices  
Of Wheat**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(INS)—A further exchange of personalities between John A. Simpson, president of the farmers' union, Oklahoma City, Okla., and Alexander H. Legge, chairman of the federal farm board, will not result in any good to the farmers, Legge advised the former today.

Simpson had accused Legge of trying to depress wheat prices and attributed certain statements to him during a hearing before a senate committee. Legge said the statements Simpson had been using as having been made by him at this hearing were "absolutely untrue."

Legge's letter, in part said: "Entirely aside from anything which happened at this meeting, isn't it rather absurd to accuse us of trying to depress the price of wheat at a time when the domestic markets are 25 to 35 cents a bushel, depending on where the wheat might be located, above what it would bring in the open market today, the Liverpool price averaging at present approximately 20 cents a bushel under the Chicago figure for the same grade of wheat? Don't you realize that in taking this position you are alienating yourself with the interests which are so bitterly opposing all efforts to aid agriculture in an effective way?"

"So far as I know no resolution asking for an investigation of the farm board, but I have been informed that the private trader in grain and cotton have been trying to have such a resolution introduced. Do you wish to place yourself in the position of supporting their activities? So far as the board is concerned we have nothing to conceal and have always tried to furnish to the various committees of congress such information as they have asked for."

"Should they wish to make a special investigation they will receive the fullest cooperation from us."

## Kidnapped Youth Returned Unharmed To Wealthy Parents

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 2.—(INS)—The kidnapping of Adolphus Busch Orthwein, 13, considered one of the wealthiest children in the middle west, was the son of a St. Louis Negro real estate dealer, Harry Troll, attorney for Percy J. Orthwein, the boy's father, told reporters today.

Troll told reporters that the wealthy Orthwein youth was returned to his parents without any ransom changing hands, the father of the alleged kidnaper, George Orthwein, the boy's father, said.

A boy still under school age, Abe Siegel, accompanied by his parents, left Russia, the country of his birth, and came to the United States, and to Muscatine, where the family established a home.

Having gained his education in local schools, he set out upon a business career by opening a small store in a building at 304 East Second street in Muscatine.

Upon reaching maturity, he was married June 21, 1903, to Miss Lottie Povelankey, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Povelankey, who now reside at 903 East Seventh street. A few years later Mr. Siegel left Muscatine and went to Davenport to establish another business, The Siegel Store, his final business venture, and the place which he was enroute when the fatal accident occurred.

He is survived by the widow, two daughters, Mrs. Cassler Golden and Lillian Gertrude Siegel; a son, Marvin Siegel; his brother, Joe Siegel, of Muscatine, and five sisters, Mrs. M. Goldenberg, of Omaha, Mrs. B. Korner, Omaha, Mrs. J. Bloomenthal, Omaha, Mrs. M. Lefstein, Rock Island, Ill., and Mrs. M. Issacson, of Omaha.

## Important Notice

Enemies of the Free Press have been busy circulating stories for purposes of misleading the public regarding this paper. They have incorporated and stockholders together have promised the public that our policies would be independent, politically, editorially and in every other way for the advantage of farmer, laborer and general public.

That means that no executive or employee could be tolerated for the best interest of all concerned unless they prove fully competent. Mr. Carl Kennedy, who was formerly manager of this paper, has been dismissed and is no longer connected directly or indirectly with the Mid-West Free Press.

Our readers are requested to take any damaging stories with a "grain of salt." The only thing the matter with some people is that apparently the Mid-West Free Press is "stepping too fast" for them—to buy the ground, wreck an old three-story building, build up a beautiful new three-story building, buy the machinery, install it, select all the executives and as a finishing touch have the President of the United States touch the button, is inconceivable and a seemingly impossible accomplishment in the minds of a few who are engaged in the newspaper business. But it was done and we expect to continue at the same gait.

## Wins Clemency



(P. and A. Photo)

Arthur C. Rich, son of a Battle Creek millionaire, who has served five years of a life term in Jackson prison for rape, has had his sentence commuted. Rich, the son of George C. Rich, millionaire manufacturer of Battle Creek, has been the center of one of the bitterest fights in the history of Michigan.

## ABE SIEGEL HIT BY TAXI; DIES

**Ex-Local Man Struck  
Rushing for Trolley  
In Davenport**

Abe Siegel, former Muscatine business man, died in a Davenport hospital at 11 o'clock last night as the result of injuries sustained when he was struck by a taxi-cab early Thursday morning, according to word received here this morning by his brother, Joe Siegel, who operates a clothing store at 308 East Second street.

Enroute from his home to his store in downtown Davenport, Siegel was hurrying to catch a street car and ran directly into the path of a taxi-cab. He was knocked down, both legs broken and his skull fractured. An ambulance was called and the injured man was rushed to a hospital, where he died late last night.

Although no definite arrangements have been made, his funeral will probably be held in Davenport Sunday.

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## Five Deaths Open Iowa New Year

(By International News Service)  
Iowa started the new year with five deaths from unnatural causes, a survey of the state revealed today. A suicide, three deaths from car mishaps, and a death resulting from a fall were the histories of the fatalities.

Two of the deaths occurred at Clinton where J. H. Puryear, 68, ended his life by turning on the gas jets of a stove and inhaling the fumes, and Jacob Koch, 78, Camanche, Ia., man died from injuries suffered when he was struck a week ago by a car from Moline, Ill.

Two brothers, Donald Clark, 15, and Raymond Clark, 17, both of Ottumwa, lost their lives when the radius rod on their car broke and the machine overturned in a ditch.

Evelyn Thompson, 12, of Stratford, Ia., died at Boone yesterday from a fractured skull suffered when she fell on a patch of ice.

## WANTS ARMY FOR DRY LAW ENFORCEMENT

**House Member Would  
Also Impeach Lax  
Officials**

BY WILLIAM S. NEAL  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—(INS)—Congress should give President Hoover power to use the army, navy and state militias to enforce the prohibitive anti-narcotic and alien laws if it sincerely believes in law enforcement, Rep. Blanton, Democrat of Texas, declared today.

As one of the chief spokesmen of the militant prohibitionists of the house, Blanton issued his demands for more and better enforcement as an acceptance of the challenge of the "wet bloc" which is driving for repeal or modification.

There can be no compromise, the militant Texas asserted. He reiterated reports that dry forces may seek a compromise if the Wickersham law enforcement commission should recommend modification of the present prohibition laws.

Three bills will furnish the corner stone of a drive opened by Blanton for better enforcement. One places the army, navy and militia at the disposal of the president; another provides that diplomats who might refuse to obey the prohibition laws shall be sent home, and the third provides for the impeachment of every federal officer who purchases intoxicating liquors. Explaining his proposals, Blanton said:

"Because they have taken a solemn oath to support and defend the Constitution, my resolution constitutes its cause for impeachment and removal from office, for any executive officer, member of the judiciary, senator, representative in congress, officer or enlisted man in the army, navy or marine corps or any other employee of the government to purchase, possess, sell, transport, or in any way violate or to conspire with any person to violate the Eighteenth amendment."

"Congress furnishes annually to the president the coast guard, secret agents, and money to enforce these laws enforced. It should give the president every facility necessary to enforce the law."

"While all diplomatic representatives of foreign countries are granted immunity from prosecution, they are nevertheless presumed to obey the laws of the country to which they are accredited. My resolution would demand any foreign representative who willfully violates our prohibition laws to be persona non grata, his passports to be delivered to him and his country notified."

Blanton has been favored by some drys as the unofficial dry launched an investigation into the cause of the house after expiration of the term of Rep. Cramton, Republican of Michigan.

## City Council May Act on Greenwood Platting Tonight

Having postponed their regular meeting for the current period from Thursday to Friday, because of the holiday yesterday, the city council meets tonight at 7:30. That the council authorize preparation of new plats in Greenwood cemetery is the substance of recommendations likely to be made to the council by a committee appointed to discuss the necessity for such improvement with the cemetery commission.

DECATUR, Ill., Jan. 2.—(INS)—Wabash railroad officials today launched an investigation into the cause of the wreck at Bement yesterday of fast passenger train No. 13 enroute from Chicago to St. Louis. The wreck occurred on a curve but none of the passengers was seriously injured. F. G. Hitchcock, engineer, was severely scalded and is near death.

## Appendix Operation Causes Boy's Death

TAYLORVILLE, Ill., Jan. 2.—(INS)—Leroy Arthur Rigby, aged 8, was dead here today, following an operation for relief from appendicitis. Young Rigby's appendix was located on his left side, physicians said.

## 'J. P.' Sentenced



(P. and A. Photo)

Convicted on a charge of extortion, Helen M. Carr, 32, the first and only woman justice of the peace in Knox county, Illinois, has been sentenced to from one to 20 years in the state penitentiary. Miss Carr's uncle, David Farrell, a railroad engineer, received a like sentence.

## TRAIN KILLS NINE IN AUTO

**3-Months-Old Baby  
Sole Survivor of  
Two Families**

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—(Special)—The lives of nine persons were snuffed out here last night when the International Limited of the Grand Trunk railway struck an automobile on a grade crossing.

The accident, which occurred in Harvey, a suburb, killed every member of two families except a three-months-old baby, believed to have been thrown from the car when its mother saw the crash coming.

The known dead are: Charles Olson, wife and daughter Muriel of Elmhurst, Ill., and Frank Novak, address undetermined. Other bodies are those of two girls, two boys and a woman.

The train, reported traveling at a high speed, carried the wreckage 150 feet and strewn the bodies along the right-of-way.

## TEMPERATURE IN 22 DEGREE RISE

Following a rise in temperature of 22 degrees during the past twenty-four hours, even weather is in prospect. Somewhat warmer, the forecast for today with gradually increasing cloudiness predicted by the observer.

The present stage of the Mississippi is 3.0, a fall of one-tenth since yesterday, William Molls, local weather forecaster reports.

## Engineer Near Death As Result of Wreck

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## Vacations End for Few Rural Schools

School work was resumed today in a few of the rural districts, where only a short vacation was taken during the holidays because of the teachers residing in the immediate vicinity, and a desire to complete the nine-month course and close earlier for the summer vacation.

The remainder of the county schools, most of which took a full vacation, will resume their class work on Monday. Many of the county teachers who have gone to their homes for the holidays will return during the week-end.

## 16 ARE KILLED AS INSURGENTS JAIL PRESIDENT

**Complete Control Is  
Held; Yank Troops  
Guard Border**

COLON, Panama, Jan. 2.—(INS)—Surrendering in the face of overwhelming opposition, President Don Florencio Arosemena of Panama presented his resignation this afternoon to the revolutionaries. Junta appointed after overthrow of the republican government early this morning.

BY J. A. RYAN  
COLON, P. C. Z., Jan. 2.—(INS)—Sixteen persons were reported killed today when a group of young revolutionaries, headed by General Manuel Quintero, overthrew the government of the Republic of Panama, imprisoning President Florencio Arosemena and Vice-president T. Gabriel Duque and setting up a provisional insurrectionary junta.

Many persons were reported injured in the street fighting, including Hartwell F. Ayer, former American newspaper editor of Atlanta, Ga. His condition is extremely serious.

While the revolutionaries were in complete control of Panama City, it was apparent that the trouble was not yet over. Some hours after the rebellion, Governor Innocencio Galdino of the province of Colon issued a manifesto calling upon all government employees to sign a pledge of loyalty to the Arosemena government. Imprisonment was threatened for all who had failed to comply by noon.

GRAVE TROUBLED FEARED  
It was feared a manifesto would precipitate grave trouble on the Atlantic side of the isthmus as government employees are known to be lacking in sympathy toward the Arosemena regime.

COLON, P. C. Z., Jan. 2.—(INS)—With startling suddenness, a group of young revolutionaries headed by General Manuel Quintero today overthrew the government of President Florencio Arosemena, clapped the chief executive in prison and set up a provisional revolutionary junta.

At 9:25 a. m., several hours after the revolutionary outbreak had taken place, the insurrectionists were in full control of native Panama.

Three persons were known to have been killed in street fighting which preceded seizure of the presidential palace by the revolutionaries. It was reliably reported that Rodolfo Chari, well-known political leader who dictated the policies of the Panama Republic for years, was among the victims.

U. S. LEGATION GUARDED  
A spokesman for the revolutionaries announced that a provisional junta had taken over the reins of government, headed by Dr. Hamedio Ariles, attorney and long-time political opponent of the Arosemena regime; Francisco Ariles, well-known business man and Dr. J. J. Vallarino, a physician attached to the Herriek clinic.

Launching of the revolt at an early hour of the morning when few people were in the streets kept casualties to a minimum.

As in the case of previous major disorders in Panama, American soldiers were rushed from their headquarters in the Canal Zone, throwing up a protective cordon around the United States legation.

American soldiers also guarded the international boundary between Panama City, Ancon, and Balboa, refusing to permit Americans to cross over into native Panama territory.

## The WEATHER man says

Iowa: Partly cloudy; somewhat warmer in Northwest and Northeast portions tonight; Saturday cloudy.

Forecast till 7 p. m. Saturday (Central Standard time). Missouri—Partly cloudy, somewhat warmer in East portion tonight; Saturday mostly cloudy, warmer in Southeast portion.

General forecast—The indications are for increasing cloudiness over the North-central states tonight and Saturday, probably followed by light snow along the Northern border. The temperature will continue to rise over the Eastern and Southern portions of the district. There will be considerable cloudiness on Sunday, with a possibility of rain or snow over the Eastern portion of the district.



## SUPERVISORS MEET; RE-ELECT KAUFMAN HEAD

### County Officers and Their Assistants Given Oaths

Re-election of Fred R. Kaufman as chairman for another year, appointment of committees and swearing in of both new and old county officers and their assistants, featured the first 1931 meeting of the board of supervisors here this morning. Mr. Kaufman, a member of the board for several terms, has served as chairman during the past year.

George Sauer of Sweetland township, began his term as the new member of the board for the coming year.

J. Henry Schafer and A. J. Altcrus were appointed by the new board as members of the committee to handle the affairs of the county farm and insane hospitals, and supervisors Sauer and W. J. Barclay as members of the courthouse and jail committee.

Oaths of office were administered to the county officers and their assistants by Charles H. Plaforth, who retired today as county auditor. The board members approved the appointment of the various clerks and deputies employed in courthouse, and the bonds of the new officials. Salaries of the clerks and deputies were also approved.

For a part of the morning, the board members were engaged in checking over the accounts of the retiring officers.

The board went into session again at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

## JACOB DANZ OF SOUTH END DIES

Jacob Danz, 63, life long resident of Muscatine died at his home, 428 Pond street, at 4:25 o'clock this morning after a six month illness of heart trouble. He was the son of Henry and Edna Koeppling Danz and was born in Drury township, Ill., Oct. 11, 1867. He married Miss Hattie Dietrich Oct. 12, 1898, at Muscatine, and has been a rip saw operator at the Roach and Musser Sash and Door company for the last 45 years.

Surviving are his widow, two children, Edwin at home and Mrs. Cecelia Althaus of Davenport; three brothers, George of Fruitland; Henry and John of Muscatine, and four sisters, Mrs. Anna Henderson of Kansas, Mrs. Mary Puhlman and Mrs. John Koeppling of Muscatine and Mrs. Minnie Brown of Denver, Colo.

Funeral services will be held from the Fairbanks funeral home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. Charles Judisch of the Evangelical Protestant church will officiate. Burial will be in Greenwood cemetery.

## VISITORS AT K-TNT

On JAN 1  
Myrtle Cook, Davenport.  
Charlie Ziegowsky, Muscatine.  
Jacob Ziegowsky, Hartsburg, Ill.  
J. H. Shimmering, Washington.  
Virginia Edgren, Chicago.  
Sam Cawner, Conway, Ia.  
A. M. Johnson, Princeton, Ia.  
Floyd Bacon, Princeton, Ia.  
Ada Spielman, Dubuque.  
Elsie Shook, Montezuma.  
Mrs. B. E. Welper, Quincy, Ill.  
Ruth Brown, Quincy, Ill.  
Kathryn Davis, Cedar Rapids.  
Guy Taylor, Cedar Rapids.  
Geneva Anderson, Waterloo.  
Mrs. Jane Anderson, Waterloo.  
Gladys Smith, Muscatine.  
Dorothy Stewart, Muscatine.  
Grace Terry, Muscatine.  
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Edmund Kublik, Muscatine.  
Mildred Brashner, Muscatine.  
Mrs. L. D. Dodson, Muscatine.  
Mrs. Sadie Mullen, Muscatine.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Francisco, Cuba, Ill.  
Willard Schau, Mt. Hamilton, Ia.  
Goldie Starr, Argyle, Ia.  
Helen Downey, Donnellson, Ia.  
Virgil Thon, Fort Madison.  
David Graber, Donnellson, Ia.  
Margaret Starr, Argyle, Ia.  
Mr. Milton Dawson, Hedrick, Ia.  
Mrs. Milton Dawson, Hedrick, Ia.  
Mrs. Jim Caldwell, Hedrick, Ia.  
C. C. Chadwick, Winfield, Ia.  
Mrs. Ora Chadwick, Winfield, Ia.  
Miss Betty Chadwick, Winfield, Ia.  
Ralph Hoffman, Muscatine.  
Charles Rhoades, Muscatine.  
Mrs. Chas. Rhoades, Muscatine.  
Kathleen and Eric Reiter, Milok, Ill.  
George Kublik, Muscatine.  
Maxine Stahl, Muscatine.  
Lois Pierce, Hopkinton, Ia.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey, Muscatine.  
B. Furdum, Seguin, Mich.  
George H. Fisher, Cambridge, Ill.  
Dorothy Taylor, Galva, Ill.  
Ethel Taylor, Galva, Ill.  
Mrs. Lois Grap, Mineral Point, Wis.  
William P. Ross, Mineral Point, Wis.  
Mayme Ayers, West Newton, Ind.  
Irene Getz, Wilkinsburg, Penn.  
Mrs. Emma Milliron, West Newton, Penn.  
Mrs. Nellie Grak, Mineral Point, Wis.  
Mrs. Milton Dawson, Hedrick, Ia.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Donley, Vinona, Ia.  
Elton R. Faeth, Fort Madison.  
Everett Faeth, Fort Madison.  
Helen J. Warner, Davenport.  
Luella Warner, Clinton.  
Carrie Swedin, Ft. Madison, Ia.  
Clara Reed, Montrose, Ia.  
George Lambrecht, East Moline.  
Cleo Bucc, Chicago.  
Emile Butch, East Moline.  
Florence Striegel, Davenport.  
Theola Striegel, Davenport.  
Marceline Striegel, Davenport.  
Mrs. S. J. Striegel, Davenport.  
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## Sound Corner

The business district today shed its holiday attire when Louis Elfers, local electrical contractor, removed the colored lights which had been suspended across the streets since before Christmas, and Christmas trees which had adorned the ornamental light posts. The lights and trees re-installed each year by Mr. Elfers without charge.

Flora Tobias, teacher of the Stockton school, spent New Year's day at the home of her mother, Mrs. Blanche Tobias, 212 Green street.

Miss Alice Snyder and Miss June Dowling, who have been visiting friends in Cedar Rapids the past few days, returned to their homes today.

The many friends of Bernard Eversmeyer, student at the University of Iowa, are pleased to hear of his singing over radio station WWSI at Iowa City. He is spending part of his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Eversmeyer, 101 East Fulliam Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewaine McKinney, 1417 East Fifth street, had New Year's dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Carlson, Ellis, Ill.

The condition of H. C. Madden, who has been seriously ill at his home at 309 East Eighth street, was reported somewhat improved today.

Miss Esther Du Bois, returned to her home in Chicago after spending the holidays with her son, Richard Berry, and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Berry, 1041 Hershey avenue.

Leroy Funk, a junior in journalism at the University of Iowa, spent New Year's day with friends in Cedar Rapids.

Mrs. Kate Glinley, who has been ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Peter Van Arkel, 968 Elm street, was reported improved today.

W. N. Atkinson, formerly instructor in the local high school, left yesterday for Salem, Ia., after visiting friends here. Mr. Atkinson is the principal of the New Hampton High school.

The Y. M. C. A. board of directors will hold their regular monthly meeting tonight at 7:30 at the local "Y".

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Krueger of Iowa City visited over New Year's day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Willard, 216 W. 12th street. They also were callers at the Press office. Mr. Krueger is proprietor of the Buster Brown shoe store in Iowa City.

Wyoming lodge No. 76 will hold its regular meeting tonight at 7:30 in the Pythian hall on Iowa avenue. Business of interest to all members will be transacted. The program following the business session will be in charge of the instruction committee of which A. F. Greshing is chairman.

Notice was received today at the county treasurer's office from Roy Johnson, state treasurer, to divert interest on all public deposits during the period from Jan. 1, 1931, to Dec. 31, 1931, under the terms of the Lovrein-Brookhart law.

Mrs. Clarence J. Nolan and her two children, Glen and Paul, victims of an auto accident that occurred in South Muscatine Tuesday night were to be released from Hershely hospital today, according to an announcement by the attending physician. Clarence J. Nolan, father of the two children, who was also injured in the wreck, has already been released.

A group of twelve men, selected by Miss Grace Weeks, county social worker, to trim brush along county highways, will continue their work until the job is completed or other employment is available to them. Miss Weeks announced today. Working out contributions received from county relief funds, the men were put to work under provision of a state law which permits such occupation.

Deeds of conveyance recording the transfer of lot 1, block 98, on West Fifth street, from a freshman at the Iowa State college of agriculture, left for Ames this morning.

Judge W. R. Maines, who has presided during the present term of court, returned today to his home in Davenport. Judge D. V. Jackson will preside on the local bench during the coming session of court.

The January term of district court will open on Tuesday, January 6, with the grand jury reporting for duty on the following day. The petit jury is to report for work on Jan. 20, both the civil and criminal dockets for the coming terms are light.

H. O. Jones was reappointed janitor of the Muscatine county court house and Beatrice Smith, janitress, late this afternoon by the board of supervisors at a meeting in the court house.

During the past year there were 3,485 hunting licenses and 278 trapping licenses issued by G. C. Parks, county recorder of Muscatine county, it was announced today. This is a considerable increase over the previous year.

**WANTED**—Alert, wide-awake young man with bicycle to run errands and carry messages. Must have character and ability. Apply at Free Press office.

## Complete Reports of All Markets

### New York Stocks

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—(INS)—	
Closing stock prices:	
Adv Rumley	3 1/2
Allied Chem	17 1/2
Allied Chem and Dye	17 1/2
Am Agr Chem	2
Am Can	113 3/4
Am Car and Fdy	28 1/2
Am and For Pwr	30 1/4
Am P and L	48 1/4
Am Loco	21 1/2
Am Smelt	42 1/2
A T and T	108 1/2
Am Tob	108 1/2
Am Wtr Wks	59 3/4
Am Wool	7
Anaconda Cop	2
At and St	18 1/2
At Ref	20 1/2
Bald Loco	22 1/2
B and O	71 1/2
Beth Stl	52 1/2
Bendix Avn	18 1/2
Brooklyn Mfrs	18 1/2
Can Pac	40 1/4
Case Thresh Mach	93 3/4
C and O	41 1/4
C and Nw	35 1/2
C M and St P	6 1/2
C M and St P pfd	10 1/4
C R and P	49 3/4
Chgo Mfrs	14 1/2
Coca Cola	14 1/2
Colo F and I	22 1/2
Col Gas and E	36 1/4
Corn Pk	80 1/2
Cruc Stl	56 1/2
Drug Inc	63 1/2
Dupl De Nem	89 1/2
Erie	29 1/4
Erie First pfd	30 1/4
Freight Oil	30 1/4
Gen Asph	24 1/4
Gen Elec	45 1/2
Gen Mfrs	37 1/4
Gen Foods	50 1/4
Goodrub	15 1/4
Gillette	22 1/2
Gr R and R pfd	61 1/4
Hud Mtrs	25 1/2
Hupp Mtrs	9 1/4
I C	73 1/2
Ind Ref	4 1/4
Int Harv	49 1/2
Int Nick	15 1/2
Johns Mansville	57 1/2
Kresge	24 1/4
Lvl and Nash	104 1/4
Mack Tr	38 1/4
Mt Cop	8
Mt Cont Pete	15 1/2
Mop	31 1/4
Do Pfd	90
M W & T	20 1/4
Mont Ward	17 1/2
Nat Bldg	79
Nat Bldg Mfrs	31 1/4
Nat Bldg	30 1/4
Nat P & L	34 1/4
Nev Cons	11 1/4
N Y C	117 1/4
N Y N H and H	80
Oil Pac	50 1/4
Oil Stl	10 1/4
Pack Mtrs	9 1/4
Pan Am Pete	2
Pan Farm Lasky	39 1/4
Penn R R	38 1/4
Penn R R	38 1/4
Penn R R	38 1/4
Phillips Pete	15 1/2
Pub Svc of N J	77 1/2
Pure Oil	13 1/4
Radio Corp	17 1/2
R K O	17 1/2
Real Silk	25 1/2
Rem Rand	16 1/2
Rep Mfr	13 1/4
Rep S	13 1/4
Rey Tob	13 1/4
Roy Dutch	38 1/4
Schuller	42 1/2
Seaboard Air Lines	47 1/2
Sears Roe	47 1/2
Shell Oil	8 1/2

### Livestock

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—(INS)—	
Estimated livestock receipts at eleven markets today were:	
Cattle	22,000
Hogs	10,000
Sheep	13,000
Markets	
Chicago	2,000
Kansas City	6,000
Omaha	1,000
E. St. Louis	10,000
St. Joseph	5,000
Sioux City	5,000
St. Paul	1,700
Indianapolis	900
Cleveland	400
Pittsburgh	100
Buffalo	300
Totals	9,200
Week ago	14,000
Year ago	10,000

### EAST ST. LOUIS MARKET

(INS)—Livestock:  
Cattle—receipts 10,000; market steady; steers \$7.75 to \$10.25; good and choice vealers \$13.75; cutters \$4.00 to \$5.25; bulls \$4.00 to \$5.25.  
Hogs—receipts 10,000; market uneven, steady to 10c higher; top \$8.45; sows \$6.25 to \$6.50.  
Sheep—receipts 500; steady; lambs \$7.85 to \$8.25; common throwouts \$5.00 to \$5.50; ewes \$3.50 down.

### CHICAGO MARKET

(INS)—Livestock:  
Hogs—22,000; 10c higher. Top \$8.30; bulk, \$6.50 to \$7.20; light \$7.70. Medium \$7.50 to \$8.15; light \$8.45 to \$8.75; light lights \$9.10 to \$9.30; packing sows \$6.50 to \$6.90; pigs \$7.75 to \$8.00; holdovers 2,000.  
Cattle—2,000; steady; calves—1,000; steady; beef steers—good and choice \$11.50 to \$13.50; common and medium \$7.11; yearlings \$7.11; butchers cattle—halfers \$5.50 to \$6.00; cows \$4.75 to \$5.00; calves \$5.12; feeder steers \$6.85 to \$7.25; stocker steers \$5.50 to \$5.80; stocker cows and heifers \$4.75.  
Sheep—13,000; steady; medium and choice lambs \$7.50 to \$8.00; culls and common \$6.75. Yearlings \$5.50 to \$6.00; common and choice ewes \$2.50 to \$3.00; feeder lambs \$6.50 to \$7.25.

### CHICAGO SEED MARKET

(INS)—Seed:  
Red Clover: fair to good \$16.50 to \$18.50; choice \$19.00 to \$19.50; fancy \$20.00 to \$21.00; sweet clover \$6.75 to \$7.00.  
Alfalfa: \$10.00 to \$10.50; Timothy: good \$8.75; choice \$9.00; fancy \$9.25.

### SO. ST. JOSEPH MARKET

(INS)—Livestock:  
Hogs—5,000; steady; top \$8.00; 190-210 lbs. \$7.25 to \$7.50; 220-260 lbs. \$7.55 to \$7.80; sows \$6.00 to \$6.25; calves \$6.00 to \$6.25; steady; steers \$7.50 to \$7.75; heifers \$7.50 to \$7.75; cows \$6.00; cutters \$2.75 to \$3.75; top vealers \$10.00.  
Cattle—4,000; 15 to 25c higher; top lambs \$8.25; mixed fat and feeders \$7.50; Texas clipper \$8.00.

### KANSAS CITY MARKET

(INS)—Livestock:  
Cattle—2,000; steady; steers \$8 to \$13.50; cows and heifers \$3 to \$11.50; stockers and feeders \$5 to \$10; calves \$5.50 to \$11.  
Hogs—4,000; steady to weak; bulk \$7.75 to \$7.90; 83 lbs. heavies \$7.60 to \$7.85; lights \$7.65 to \$7.85; medium \$7.80 to \$7.95.  
Sheep—5,000; strong to 15c higher; lambs \$7.25 to \$8.25; ewes \$4.25 to \$5; ewes \$2.75 to \$3.75.

### SOUTH OMAHA MARKET

(INS)—Livestock:  
Hogs—1,000; weak to 10c lower; top \$7.80; 160-190 lbs. weights \$7.75 to \$7.90; 190-240 lbs. weights \$7.50 to \$7.75; 240-300 lbs. butchers \$7.25 to \$7.50; packing sows \$6.00 to \$6.25; average cost Thursday \$7.51; weight 237 lbs.  
Cattle—1,100; steady; steers and yearlings \$8.25 to \$10.00; heifers \$6.75 to \$7.75; cows \$4.50 to \$5.00; cutters \$2.00 to \$3.75; top vealers \$9.00.  
Sheep—6,000; 10-25c higher; fed woolled lambs \$8.00 to \$9.15; top \$9.25; fed clipped lambs \$8.10.

### With Sick Friends At the Hospitals

**BELLEVUE**  
Mrs. F. C. Cassidy, 415 West Sixth street, admitted to the Bellevue hospital yesterday, is improving.  
Improvement is noted in the condition of Harry Truitt, 15-year-old son of Mrs. Ada Truitt, Parmelee street, whose leg was amputated recently. The Truitt youth was injured in a hunting accident on Dec. 24.

**HERSHEY**  
Little improvement was noted in the condition of Mrs. M. W. Sterlin, Woodlawn, ave., who was admitted to the Hershey hospital several days ago. Her daughter, Mrs. Ina Applegate of Walla Walla, Wash., has been called to Muscatine.

**BAKER**  
Mrs. Mary Coleman of Pooleville, N. Y., and Fred Martin of Davenport, Ia., were admitted to the Baker hospital yesterday.  
Mrs. Cornal Schrage, a patient at the Baker hospital was visited yesterday by her husband, Cornal Schrage, a son and three daughters-in-law, Albert Schrage, Mrs. Ray Schrage, Mrs. Doris Schrage and Mrs. Albert Schrage, all of Mt. Calvary, Wis.  
Mrs. E. Shook, of Montezuma, Ia., a patient at the Baker hospital was visited by her husband yesterday.  
Mrs. R. Heister of Irwin, Ill., visited her husband who is a patient at the Baker hospital yesterday. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John Spies, Robert Spies, Edward Spies and Mrs. Ulrich, friends of Mr. Heister and all from Irwin, Ill.

William P. Ross of Middlespoint, Wis., accompanied his father, A. R. Ross here yesterday. The elder Mr. Ross entered the Baker hospital as a patient. His son left for home this morning after spending New Year's day with his father.

**NOTICE**  
Sewing Repairman will be in Muscatine Friday and Saturday.  
**PARTS FOR ALL MACHINES**  
—Call 311-J—  
Nu-Way Quilt Shop

### Representative Livestock Sales

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—(INS)—Representative livestock sales today include:

### LIGHT HOGS

No.	Wgt.	Price	No.	Wgt.	Price
46	195	\$7.95	47	192	\$8.00
50	188	8.05	54	182	8.10
56	180	8.10	60	178	8.15
67	166	8.20	70	160	8.25
62	173	8.15	66	170	8.30
72	158	8.25	74	150	8.30

### HEAVY

No.	Wgt.	Price	No.	Wgt.	Price
46	324	\$7.40	48	320	\$7.45
50	312	7.50	52	300	7.50
57	282	7.55	54	295	7.60
55	290	7.60	56	288	7.65
58	282	7.65	60	278	7.70
62	270	7.70	64	265	7.75

### MIXED AND BUTCHERS

No.	Wgt.	Price	No.	Wgt.	Price
50	244	\$7.80	52	240	\$7.85
54	238	7.90	56	234	7.95
58	228	8.00	60	224	8.05
62	224	8.05	64	222	8.10
66	220	8.10	68	218	8.15
70	214	8.15	72	210	8.20

### STEERS

No.	Wgt.	Price	No.	Wgt.	Price
18	874	\$8.00	20	896	\$9.00
22	947	10.00	24	1026	10.50
27	1068	11.50	28	1270	12.00
21	1248	12.50	20	1032	13.50

### DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 2.—(INS)

(U. S. D. A.)—Combined hog receipts at 22 concentration yards and five packing plants located in interior Iowa and southern Minnesota for the 48 hour period ended at 10 a. m. today were 15,500, compared with 22,400 a week ago. Mostly steady to 10c lower than yesterday, buyers fairly aggressive at a number of stations but marketing comparatively light; bulk of good to choice 170-240 lb. weights \$7.25 to \$7.50; 250-300 lb. weights mostly \$6.90 to \$7.25. Light lights mostly \$6.90 to \$7.25. Light lights mostly \$6.90 to \$7.25. Light lights mostly \$6.90 to \$7.25.

### CRISTAL THEATRE

TODAY AND TOMORROW  
**NORMA SHEARER**  
In  
**"LET US BE GAY"**  
Fox News  
2-Reel comedy  
and  
A CARTOON COMEDY

### A-MUSE-U

Now Playing Remote Control  
**WILLIAM HAINES**  
SATURDAY  
ONE DAY ONLY  
**KEN MAYNARD**  
"SONG OF THE CABALLERO"  
with Doris Hill  
A LUTHERAN FILM  
**RIN TIN TIN**  
THE LONE DEFENDER  
Starting Sunday Jan. 4  
ONE OF THE REAL BIG EVENTS  
OF THE MOTION PICTURE HISTORY  
The Film Epic of the West  
**The Big Trail**  
The most stupendous of its kind that has ever been into a Talking Picture—Made with a cast of 20,000 the cast  
**INCLUDES EL BRENDAL**

## PEOPLES GROCERY AND MARKET

WE DELIVER ITEMS OR MORE FREE  
PHONE 66  
SATURDAY AND MONDAY SPECIALS

**GRAHAM CRACKERS, . . . 2-lb. box 23c**

**SOAP, Swift's Quick Naptha, 10 bars 29c**

**CARROTS, very extra fancy, 7 lbs. 15c**

**Grapefruit Seedless 5 for 23c Apples Grimes' 5 lbs. 27c**

**SANKA COFFEE, Let's you sleep, 1 lb. can . . . 53c**

**UNCOLORED JAPAN TEA, 50c value, lb. . . . 34c**

**THOMPSON'S Malted Milk 50 cent can . . . 38c**

**PEANUTS, fresh salted . . . lb. 10c**



## Baptist Church Hears Reports, Names Officers

Officers for both the Sunday school and church were elected yesterday when members of the Walnut Street Baptist church held their semi-annual meeting in the church parlors. Reports of the various organizations were read and plans for the coming year were also made.

Those elected to serve in the Sunday school are: Victor Miller, superintendent; Ella Eckhardt, follow-up secretary; Katherine Borchardt, pianist; Mrs. Esther Brudkuhl, assistant pianist.

Church officers are: Ralph Toborg, clerk; Carl Borchardt, Victor Miller, Fred Toborg, deacons; Hans Carlsen, Ernest Brudkuhl, trustees; Ernest Toborg, organist; Victor Miller, subscription agent.

According to the reports read yesterday the church has had a prosperous year. The young people's society, which was reorganized last August has grown from eight to 38 members. Other organizations and societies are being reorganized and the members are looking forward to the coming six months as the most successful in the church for some time.

## Bloomington and Wapsie Groups to Present Playlets

The regular monthly meeting of the Bloomington township Farm Bureau group will be held tonight at 7:30 at Bloomington Grange hall. A local program will be given, featuring a playlet, "Pineapple's Flats," by the Four-H club girls.

The Farm Bureau of Wapsieon township will hold its regular meeting Tuesday evening when the playlet "Back to the Farm" will be given by members of the Cedar township bureau.

## Baptists Plan to Reopen University

DES MOINES—A Baptist commission has been named today to make final investigation into the proposed re-opening of Des Moines university. Seven men make up the commission which is to report to a called meeting of the Baptist constituency of the state.

The appointment followed a discussion of the subject of a Baptist college in Iowa by the annual Baptist ministers meeting here.

## Open Door Mission Gives Lodging and Food to Wanderers

A total of 125 transient destitute and hungry people were fed during the month of December at the Open Door Mission, 114 West Front street, according to Superintendent A. F. Row. These were fed at a cost of \$100.00, and were furnished with a place to sleep.

Mr. Row will be the speaker at services Friday night. The weekly praise service is held every Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. Everyone is welcome to these meetings.

DES MOINES—The twelve months of 1930 brought an increase of \$26,881 over 1929 in the value of construction permits issued in Des Moines, according to statistics released by V. O. Marriott, building commissioner.

## Bridge Auction and Contract

By the Authority MILTON C. WORK

♠-8-7	♥-10-9-8-5	♦-10-9-8-4	♣-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2
♠-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2	♥-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2	♦-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2	♣-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2

If the above hand had been played at Auction Bridge, South would have bid one No Trump and North two hearts which would have ended the bidding.

At Contract Bridge North would overcall South's No Trump with three hearts, thus forcing South to bid either four hearts or three No Trumps; and South, with the Spades and Diamonds each stopped only once, would select hearts although having only Ten, Nine and another. His No Trump hand was so skimpy that hearts looked more promising for game.

In the play with hearts the trump and North the Declarer, East led the King of Spades. Dummy won with the Ace and led the Ten of trumps, North taking the finesse. East won with the King and cashed his two Spade tricks, making a total of three tricks for his side. After that Declarer could not avoid the loss of a Diamond and consequently failed to make game.

Could Declarer have made it?

## THE CORRECT PLAY

Declarer could have made game very readily if he had played on the basis of safety first. He should have postponed his trump finesse until he had an opportunity to limit his Spade losses to one trick by obtaining a discard. To trick 2 he should have led a Club, won by the lone Ace in closed hand; and to trick 3 a Diamond, won by the Ace in dummy. Then the King of Clubs from dummy and a Spade discard from closed hand. After that he could tackle the heart finesse and, being fortunate in obtaining an even break of the Diamonds, his losses would be limited to one Spade, one Heart and one Diamond.

## Society Folks

### Mr. and Mrs. Maurais Honored at Shower

A miscellaneous shower was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Maurais, 106 West Jefferson street, Wednesday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maurais, who were married Dec. 5. Mrs. Maurais was formerly Miss Plooma Shires.

The rooms were beautifully decorated in pink and green, the bride's colors. The evening was spent in singing songs. An organ was provided especially for the occasion. Games were played and refreshments were served. The main feature was the uniting of gifts by the bride and groom who read the messages of good wishes and sentiment appropriate for such a happy event. The party remained for the departure of the old year and the arrival of 1931.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schreurs, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Peck, Mrs. Nellie Lucas, Mrs. Sarah Hultsien, Mrs. Stocker, the Misses Lohr, Hank, Neva, and Esther Schreurs, Margaret Gloria Beck, and Albert Lohr and Robert Zeig.

### Fishers Hold Reception on Wedding Date

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fisher observed their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary yesterday with a family dinner and reunion. The event was held at the family home, 105 Brook street. Married Jan. 1, 1906, the couple spent their entire married life in Muscatine.

Included in the list of guests at the home yesterday are the two sons, J. T. Fisher and Maynard Fisher, both of Muscatine. Mrs. J. T. Fisher and children were also present.

Others attending were Miss Irma Maxwell, Muscatine; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fisher and son, Howard, Portland, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Fisher and children, Joy, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. William Fisher and son, Edward, Buffalo, Prairie, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Elliott and children, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Elliott and son, all of Taylor Ridge, Ill.; Miss Leona Bliven, Marshall, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Redman and children, Marengo; Mrs. Kate Kautz, Muscatine; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fisher, Taylor Ridge, Ill.

The Misses Pearl and Zelma Holzhauser, 516 Main street, entertained a group of friends in their home Wednesday evening. Musical numbers were enjoyed and a luncheon was served.

Members of the German Congregational church met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Schroeder, 309 East Seventh street. Several important questions regarding the church were discussed but no definite action was taken.

The Normal Training Alumni association of the Muscatine high school, will hold its annual banquet in the Y. W. C. A. tonight at 8:30 o'clock. The Rev. W. W. Merrifield, pastor of the First Congregational church, will be the main speaker. Kemp is chairman of arrangements. A reunion of the classes of 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929 and 1930 is expected.

### Bloomington 4-H Girls To Present Play

The two-act play, "Pineapple's Flats," will be given by the Bloomington 4-H girls tonight at the meeting of the Bloomington Farm Bureau at the Bloomington Grange hall. The cast is as follows:

Pap Finnegan, Alice Gurnes; Minnie Finnegan, Hilda Thicker; Prof. Balton, Auth Le Fever; Van Dooley, a policeman, Esther Beatty; Miss Neversmile, a lodger, Lil-

## OUR READERS' COOKING

### MENU FOR SATURDAY

BREAKFAST: Stewed Prunes, Cereal with Cream, Cheese Omelet, Rye Muffins, Coffee.

LUNCHEON: Curried Tripe, Whole Wheat Bread, Sliced Tomatoes, Preserved Peaches, Cookies, Tea.

### DINNER: Baked Pork Chops, Potatoes, Asparagus Tips on Toast, Celery, Frosted Lemon Pie, Coffee.

### Ham Scallop

Take two cups of chopped cook ham, 1 cup of cooked carrots, cubed, 1 cup of cooked tomatoes, 1 tablespoon butter, a little chopped parsley, 1 teaspoon of chopped onion. Season to taste, mix thoroughly and place in a well buttered baking dish, add a little water, cover with a cupful of bread crumbs and bake until the crumbs are brown.

Mrs. Gus Engel, Fort Madison, Iowa.

### Tasty Salad

1 package of lemon jello  
2 cups of cooked sweetened cranberries.  
1 cup of celery, cut very fine  
1 cup of crushed pineapple  
Dissolve the jello in 2-4 of a pint of boiling water. When cool add the cranberries, celery, pineapple. Serve on lettuce leaves with a dash of mayonnaise.

Mrs. J. L. Stangel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

### Popover Doughnuts

1 cup sugar  
3 eggs  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
Flour to make a stiff batter  
Drop a full teaspoon of the batter into hot lard, pushing it off evenly with a knife, to make it round. When the doughnuts are

### Local Mission Society Holds Meet Today

The Women's Missionary society of the First Christian church held a meeting this afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. R. Reed, 327 Maple avenue. Mrs. C. Reed was in charge of the program. After a short devotional service, led by Mrs. Thomas Fogleson, several talks were given about the mission fields of India. Mrs. Fogleson showed pictures and slides of the mission fields around the world.

### Watch Party Given at The Rehbehn Home

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Rehbehn, 814 Monroe street, entertained a party at their home at a watch night party Wednesday evening. A turkey dinner was served at 7 o'clock. The evening was spent informally.

Those present were Mrs. Clayton Allen and son Carol, of Davenport. Mr. and Mrs. Chester Saunders and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Romig and family of this city.

### Funeral services for D. R. Randleman

Funeral services for D. R. Randleman, 66, who died yesterday at his home, 413 East Fourth street, will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the Meyers funeral home with the Rev. Ira Hawley of the First Presbyterian church and the Rev. Maude Kline of the Spiritualist church of Davenport in charge. Interment will be in Greenwood.

Mr. Randleman was born in Muscatine Jan. 11, 1865, the son of Jacob and Matha Randleman. He spent the past 18 years of his life here. Prior to that time he lived in Cedar Rapids and was employed as a brakeman and conductor on the Rock Island railroad for a number of years, retiring several years ago.

He had been in failing health the past three years.

He married Miss Lou Hayes at Montezuma 35 years ago and his second marriage was to Mrs. Mary M. Kautz at Muscatine in 1916.

Surviving are his widow and one son, Howard of Cedar Rapids, and four daughters, Mrs. Maida Allen of Bala, Bala, also have taken measures to stimulate the use of alcohol as motor fuel, the Division said.

### Local 4-H Club Woman Speaker at State Federation

Mrs. George Le Fever, chairman of the 4-H girls club work in Muscatine county has accepted an invitation to speak at the luncheon to be given by the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation meets in Des Moines the week of Jan. 12. The luncheon will be given between the hours of 12 and 2 o'clock on Jan. 14.

Mrs. LeFever has won this recognition from the state federation for the outstanding work which has been accomplished by the Muscatine county 4-H club girls. The selection was made by Miss Josephine Arnsperger because of capable leadership displayed by Mrs. LeFever. Mrs. LeFever will speak on the subject "What Every County Club Chairman Should Know."

### Sweetland Pastor Announces Services

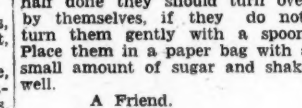
Rev. A. F. Polk, pastor of the Sweetland Methodist Episcopal church announces that Sunday morning's services will start with the regular morning worship at 10 o'clock and Bible school at 11 o'clock. The evening program will begin with the Epworth League meeting at 7:30. Methodist Episcopal church belonging to the same circuit will open Sunday's services with Bible school at 11 a. m. and the evening preaching service will start at 7:30 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Polk said.

### "HIGH LIGHTS OF HISTORY"

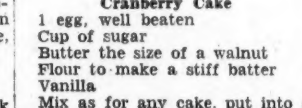
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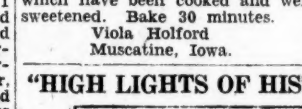
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## ALCOHOL USED IN MOTOR FUEL NOW IN ITALY

France and Germany Also Move to Use Surplus Stock

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(Special)—Although government regulations in Germany, Italy and France require the admixture of certain percentages of alcohol with gasoline used as motor fuel, and similar regulations have been considered in Australia and Brazil, the use of alcohol as a motor fuel, either alone or mixed with gasoline, has not attained popularity in any country, according to an official statement just made at the Petroleum Division of the Department of Commerce.

The government regulations, according to Dr. John W. Frey, chief of the Petroleum Section of the Division, generally are associated with efforts to utilize surplus alcohol, there being no improvement in the quality of gasoline as a result of the addition of alcohol. The following information also was made available in the Division:

A very dry alcohol—that is, alcohol containing only a small percentage of water—may be used for satisfactory use mixed with gasoline. The dryness adds to the expense of producing the alcohol, making the cost of the motor fuel correspondingly higher. When alcohol alone is used as a motor fuel it need not be so dry as when mixed with gasoline.

Nearly all automobile motors are designed to burn gasoline, with the result that their consumption of alcohol is not so efficient. The motor oil used in the motor is usually not so great as that obtained with gasoline. A very high compression motor operates best with alcohol, and in the United States these are not so common as in other countries.

Germany requires the admixture of 30 per cent of alcohol with the gasoline used in its motor fuel. Italy requires the addition of the same percentage, and France requires that importers of gasoline must purchase alcohol to the extent of 10 per cent of the amount of gasoline imported.

In Australia and Brazil, the use of alcohol as motor fuel has been encouraged as a means of stimulating the use of the domestic products instead of imports, but the effort has not been successful on a large scale.

### DEALERS TAKE QUOTAS

In Germany, gasoline dealers have taken their quotas of alcohol, as required by the government, but usually have not added it to their gasoline. In Italy, the gain in sales by the dealers is not so great as in Germany, where the dealers have taken their quotas of alcohol, as required by the government, but usually have not added it to their gasoline.

Mr. Randleman was born in Muscatine Jan. 11, 1865, the son of Jacob and Matha Randleman. He spent the past 18 years of his life here. Prior to that time he lived in Cedar Rapids and was employed as a brakeman and conductor on the Rock Island railroad for a number of years, retiring several years ago.

He had been in failing health the past three years.

He married Miss Lou Hayes at Montezuma 35 years ago and his second marriage was to Mrs. Mary M. Kautz at Muscatine in 1916.

### Local 4-H Club Woman Speaker at State Federation

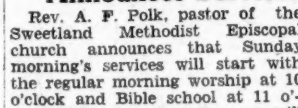
Mrs. George Le Fever, chairman of the 4-H girls club work in Muscatine county has accepted an invitation to speak at the luncheon to be given by the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation meets in Des Moines the week of Jan. 12. The luncheon will be given between the hours of 12 and 2 o'clock on Jan. 14.

### Sweetland Pastor Announces Services

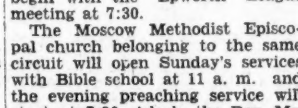
Rev. A. F. Polk, pastor of the Sweetland Methodist Episcopal church announces that Sunday morning's services will start with the regular morning worship at 10 o'clock and Bible school at 11 o'clock. The evening program will begin with the Epworth League meeting at 7:30. Methodist Episcopal church belonging to the same circuit will open Sunday's services with Bible school at 11 a. m. and the evening preaching service will start at 7:30 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Polk said.

### "HIGH LIGHTS OF HISTORY"

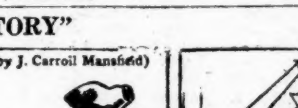
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## NOW ALLOW USE OF CORN SUGAR WITHOUT LABEL

Is Not Necessary to Declare Presence in Canned Food

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(Special)—Elimination of the requirement that canned foods containing corn sugar be labeled so as to show that they contain that type of sugar has been announced by the Secretary of Agriculture, Arthur M. Hyde. The requirement has been included in departmental regulations under the Food and Drug Act.

It has been estimated, Mr. Hyde said, that 5,000,000 to 10,000,000 additional bushels of corn sugar will be used annually in making corn sugar as a result of the change in the regulations.

### SCOPE OF APPLICATION

The action of the Secretary applies to all products containing sugars, he explained, and corn sugar may now be used in any food without declaration on the label. This sugar has been permitted heretofore in ice cream, confectionery and many other products without declaration, he said, and the effect of the change will be confined almost entirely to canned foods.

The fundamental motive behind the change, Mr. Hyde stated orally, is to provide a new use for farm products, the problem of overproduction now being of vital importance to agriculture now. This problem may be attacked in two ways, he said, through reduction of production and through finding new uses for the products.

### PERMITS WIDER USE

The wider utilization of corn sugar as a result of the ruling, Mr. Hyde said, will not affect the beet sugar industry in the United States. About 300,000,000 pounds of sugar are imported annually, he explained, and the increased use of corn sugar will be "only a drop in the bucket" compared to the total.

### Diet Program for Pupils of Rural Schools Arranged

Study of the subject, "Diet for the School Children," given at the training school for Farm Bureau women leaders here on Tuesday, will be carried into the township and school districts next month, as a plan for improving the health of school children. Emphasis on school lunches will be given.

Letters in the form of questionnaires have been sent to 91 school teachers by Miss Gray, county superintendent of schools. In the replies, the teachers are asked to give information on the number of children in each school, those taking lunches from home, the number who do not eat at school, how many bring food from home in thermoses bottles and other heat holding appliances, the number of schools serving hot lunches, the time devoted by the children to eating, and an opinion of the teacher as to whether the lunches the children are getting are adequate for their needs.

### SOLON

SOLON—(Special)—A closing out farm sale was held Tuesday by Milner and Zenisek on the farm located one-and-a-half mile northeast of Solon, and consisting of 26 head of cattle, 9 head of horses and mules and 152 head of hogs. Fall pigs sold for \$8.10 per head and brood sows brought \$33 each. The top price paid for a cow was \$69. Horses sold at various prices, the top was \$100. Corn sold for 61 1/2¢ a bushel and oats brought 53¢ a bushel. Mixed hay sold for \$7 per ton. Machinery brought fair prices.

A large crowd attended but bidding was slow which was probably due to the general depression. Fitzpatrick and Glaspey of Iowa City were the auctioneers and the Farmers State bank of Solon clerked the sale.

Mr. Milner and family will move to a farm near Iowa City.

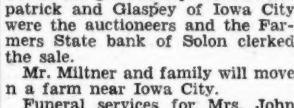
Funeral services for Mrs. John Zachar were held Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Nory in Solon, with the Rev. Pokorny of Ely officiating. Interment was made in the Oak Hill cemetery one-half mile west of Solon. She was a member of the local C. S. P. S. lodge and they attended in a body.

Mrs. Zachar was 76 years of age and she died Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock after a lingering illness. She was born in Bohemia and came to this country when a young girl and has resided here ever since.

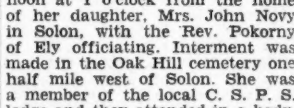
Surviving are her husband, one daughter and one son, John Zachar who resides near Solon. Ten grandchildren and one great grandchild also survive.

### 11. Benedict Arnold—The Rerat From Canada

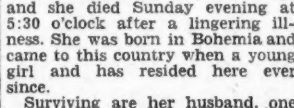
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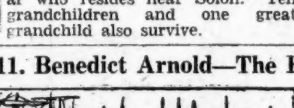
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## The Forbidden Door

Ernest Mallingham was alone in the library filled with strange curios gathered from many lands by the great scientist, Winthrop Gasson Martenet, erratic and tireless explorer into the mysteries of life, who had now been dead seven years.

Ernest was waiting for a woman and because these queer surroundings got on his nerves he was waiting impatiently. Julia was late again. Julia was the young widow of old Martenet's son Maxwell, a man twice her age. Maxwell had disappeared four years after his father's death and because he had been more or less a nobody it was taken for granted he was dead. But Ernest Mallingham was suspicious and when the young widow appeared he accused her of keeping a secret from him and the rest of the world. Breaking down, she promised to tell him all. Hannan Martenet, son of Maxwell Martenet, lately arriving in New York from the tropics, finds he is being trailed by a young woman. He visits the family lawyer, who gives him a letter from his grandfather, which he is to read and then destroy. The letter warns Hannan not to open the iron door and ends with the words "Hannan, be careful. A drawing of a man his grandfather calls dangerous. As Hannan finishes reading there is a knock and the original of the drawing stands before him. Peters, the stranger, gives Hannan a letter from his father. Just as Peters leaves Hannan notices it is dated two years after his supposed death. He runs after Peters. The chase led to a house, where Hannan is overpowered by Peters' servant, who after a short absence from the room returns to give Peters Hannan's watch, collar buttons and such things as could not be destroyed by acid. At Vallhalla Notch, the former country home of Winthrop Martenet, John, the watchman, is startled by the sight of footprints on the floor and by a knock at the gate. Answering the knock John admits a girl who notices the footprints and admits knowing Hannan.

### THE IRON DOOR

John almost dropped his pipe. "You know Hannan Martenet?" "Not exactly. I've only met him once or twice."

"Where did you see him?" "Why, in New York, a week or two ago. It was just a casual sort of meeting."

Her hazel eyes twinkled slyly at the portrait. "He's a casual sort of young man, you see."

John pulled dully at his pipe. "I've heard Hannan was back in America. That's his granddaddy up there. They say he takes after him a lot."

"Yes," with a thoughtful nod. "I am sure he does. He has the same forehead, nose and eyes. But the mouth is different, not so tight and grim. Hannan Martenet has a nice mouth."

John smoked stolidly. He wondered just how "casual" her meeting with young Martenet had been. "But he is clever—clever than you would think from looking at him," Miss Lane went on. "Ever so many young men with nice mouths are only fools. Hannan Martenet is different, though. If you don't look out he'll fool you."

She gave a laugh that sounded reminiscently of the girl who had pulled at his pipe. "Have you heard what happened to him?"

"Don't you read the papers, John?" "About twice a month. It's eight miles to the postoffice, and there's no deliveries in these backwoods. What's happened to Hannan?"

"He's disappeared."

John choked on tobacco smoke. "Disappeared—vanished off the face of the earth." Her tone was grave and mystified. "It happened the second night he was in New York. Nobody knows what's become of him. Many people think he is dead."

"Dead?" said John in a hollow voice. "You mean—murdered?" "Maybe. Or else kidnapped. There's been no trace found of him. He left his hotel late in the evening, shortly after a friend had called on him. At least, it's supposed his caller was a friend. None of the hotel attendants seem able to describe him except to say that he was a short man with a funny face and a large nose."

"Almighty queer," said John after a long pause.

Yes, it's very strange. Did you ever see Hannan Martenet, John?" John appeared to search his memory. "Once, when he was a wee mite of a tot. His granddaddy brought him out here one day. But that was many years ago. I guess he's forgotten all about it. He tells his pipe with a troubled

air. "So Hannan's gone, eh? Terrible queer!"

"His father, Maxwell Martenet,





### Unemployment Insurance

The American Association for Labor Legislation is planning to introduce bills providing for unemployment insurance into twenty state legislatures this winter. Long desired by Labor, in recent months even Big Business is beginning to realize its advantages. Many people who correctly condemn the European dole system, particularly as it operates in Great Britain and Germany, are still laboring under the misapprehension that the American plan is based on similar lines. This is far from correct and when the scope of the American legislation, with its undoubted benefits, is more generally realized there should be little difficulty in enacting the various bills into laws.

Stated in its simplest terms the plan involves the amassing of a reserve fund in times of normal business with which to pay employees who may be forced out of work in the event of a business depression. This is the same principle followed by many firms during the past few months when they have been paying dividends out of surplus. If it is a wise policy to establish a financial reserve for the benefit of the owners, it appears that it should be equally wise to follow the same practice for the protection of the employee.

Several large industries have already established such a system for the benefit of their employees. In a few the plan has been in successful operation for many years hence legislation based on such a plan cannot be termed an experiment.

An added incentive is that the proposed statutes also involve sections designed to promote continuous or a least part time employment in times of depression thereby preventing men being thrown out of work without regard to its effect upon our economic structure.

Most employers realize it is good business to keep men at work. They are fully cognizant of the fact that idle men reduce consumption and throw our entire business life out of gear. The difference between good times and bad, in the last analysis, is the difference between the purchasing power, or lack of it, of the wage earner.

Three times within the last fifteen years we residents of the world's wealthiest nation have witnessed the bread line. Thoughtful people are beginning to realize that we cannot continue to be indifferent when thousands of industrious people are thrown out of work periodically through no fault of their own. Any plan designed to prevent a repetition of these periods of unemployment deserves the thoughtful attention of all of us and the first concerted effort toward the more widespread adoption of unemployment insurance is most certainly worthy of our united support.

### The Seven-Million City

History affords no parallel to the growth of New York City. With a 1930 census of 6,955,000, it is already being mentioned as the seven-million city. It passed the first million mark in 1860 and has therefore increased seven times in as many decades.

While several western cities, notably Chicago, Los Angeles and Detroit, have shown a more rapid growth, it is probable that New York will retain its premier position because it is the American gateway to Europe.

Greater London is the only city to exceed New York, be-

ing about a million larger. Berlin, third city in world rank, has about four and a half millions. Fourth place goes to Chicago, which has wrested that honor from Paris in the last ten years.

Chicago boasts that it will pass New York in the next half-century but figures do not justify such a conclusion. Twenty years ago the ratio of Chicago's population to that of New York was 46 per cent. Ten years ago it was 48 per cent. In the 1930 census it was 48.4 per cent. At this ratio of relative increase several centuries must elapse before Chicago can pass New York.

### A Stab In The Back

No more damnable piece of journalistic misrepresentation has come to our notice than the following, credited to the Kansas City Times, as printed in the Ottumwa Courier, one of the "press paragons" of the Lee Syndicate:

"It may be taken for granted that President Hoover did not know that he was recognizing a cancer quack when he pressed the key that started the machinery for an Iowa newspaper sponsored by the quack. Doubtless some member of his staff made the arrangements under political pressure. But whoever did it involved the president of the United States in a serious blunder. And one of the important duties of the president's staff is to save him from such mistakes."

The underhanded methods employed by some newspapers in an endeavor to discredit one of the owners of this publication by attacking one of his numerous local enterprises in reprehensible in the extreme. We can readily see why the smooth paths of some Iowa newspapers may not be quite so smooth with the advent of a newspaper that is untrammeled in its editorial opinions and its news

columns, and we welcome any brickbats that may come our way as a newspaper, but to attempt to belittle this paper by attacks on persons connected with it illustrates the extremes to which some newspapers lend their columns without any apparent effort to secure the facts. If an employee of the Ottumwa Courier has an eye so keen as to clip such an item in the Kansas City Times he should also be keen enough to know that he can earn \$5,000 by coming to Muscatine and proving that the clipping is as purported. There has been more than enough publicity in the Mid-West to prove to any unbiased individual the falsity of such a charge and there is therefore no other conclusion than that the Ottumwa Courier went out of its way in its vindictiveness.

### Small Fire Loss

Residents of Muscatine have every reason to congratulate themselves as a result of the report of Fire Chief J. J. Brown which showed that the total loss in 1930 was only \$30,440. This is a per capita loss of \$1.69. While the 1930 damage was slightly in excess of the previous year and the per capita loss 7 cents higher than 1929, there were 80 more calls in 1930, attesting to the efficiency of the department in holding the loss to such a low figure.

It must be remembered that practically every fire is a potential disaster of widespread proportions. It is only by a prompt response of the fire department that greater loss is prevented. The report, printed in a recent issue of the Free Press, speaks for itself in this respect when it is considered that property worth a half million dollars was endangered.

The man who is too wise to loan his friends money will never have many enemies.



### ARTHRITIS

There are few diseases so cruel, and causes such suffering as arthritis.

Although it is hard to name any one thing, or condition, as the cause, we do know that the joints become inflamed, very painful, and, in later development, severe deformity occurs.

The clinical picture shows an infiltration of toxic material, acid salts, in the joints, and in the synovial sacs. The synovial fluid acts as a lubricant.

In many cases there is a dry grating sound when moving the joint, as though sand had been thrown into it.

This condition seems to associate itself with systemic acidosis, resulting from the failure of the body to eliminate uric acid and urea, highly toxic products of retained foodstuffs in the intestines. A case comes to mind of a lady about sixty years of age who had this condition in the advanced stages. Pronounced swelling and deformity in the hands and feet and knees.

After trying all kinds of medicines and drugs, mud baths, vegetable diets, etc., the lady was put through a course of drugless treatment. This included manipulative work where possible, to keep the joints movable. Massage for the points and soft tissues to aid the circulation as much as possible in dissolving and clearing out of the infiltrations in the joints. A reasonable amount of different kinds of white, short fibered meats,

(avoiding frying, fats and greases) to build up the nervous vitality of the patient. Vegetables for elimination, and fruit juices to act as solvents.

Coffee, tea, breads and pastries were eliminated, as well as starchy cereals. Heat in the form of hot steam baths, staying in the bath twenty minutes to half an hour. Use a pound of salts to the bath. Sun baths, with gradually increasing exposure will help by putting life into the skin and impregnating the blood with the life-giving ultra-violet rays.

Movement, whenever possible, must be maintained, even though somewhat painful. Ossification of the joints is the one thing to avoid.

When the lady, mentioned in the first part of this article, came for treatment, she was in a serious condition. Loss of weight, lowered limited movement, due to swelling and pain. In a few weeks time, under the aforementioned drugless treatment, the patient could raise her arms up high enough to comb her own hair, prepare vegetables with her own hands, etc. Gradual improvement and general activity continued until at the end of three months time the patient could attend to general household duties and take week-end auto trips of from two to three hundred miles distance without undue fatigue. This improvement was accomplished without being commercialized by the popular notion of removing of focal infections, such as tonsils, teeth, appendix, etc.

### The Opinions of Other Editors

#### Deporting Alien Criminals

The new broom in the cabinet labor office gives some indication of a bit of clean sweeping that will be of great benefit to the nation. Secretary Doak's first recommendation is for deportation of gangsters. He promises every effort on the part of his department to expel criminals of this type under present laws and suggests changes in the laws so as to give a freer hand in deportations. He named a number of Chicago's "public enemies" as likely candidates for expulsion.

The country will wish more power to the elbow of the department of labor, while recognizing that deportation is not a simple process. So far the world has no colony for the segregation of "public enemies" who are not enemies of any particular community but enemies of law and government generally. Where they are alien, as a good many of our gangsters undoubtedly are, there are treaties permitting their return to their native country under certain conditions. Our own native or naturalized criminals are our own problem. Nevertheless, the new secretary will have plenty of work to do in running down, convicting and deporting aliens, and his first official pledge to the country evinces an earnestness and enthusiasm which bodes no good to the criminal gangs in the large cities of the North and East. Uncle Sam is after them on income tax falsifications and in prohibition enforcement, and now is threatening deportation. Since state and local agencies have, to a large extent, broken down before this problem, it is well enough that the federal government is extending efforts to solve it.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

#### Generals Die In Bed

A Spanish brigadier general was killed in the recent disorder; a dispatch notes him as the first Spanish soldier of so high a rank in forty years to lose his life at the hands of the enemy. How remarkable this record differs from that of Mexico, where recent warfare has cut down the supply of general officers in a most distressing way! With regard to countries maintaining large and highly organized armies the low mortality among generals in Spain is not out of line. A number of the higher field officers fell in the war of 1914-1918. But in proportion to the mortality among troops these casualties were strikingly few—much fewer than in our own Civil War, in which fell such leaders as Albert Sidney Johnston, Reynolds, Kearny, Stonewall Jackson and Jeb Stuart.

The modern general is not to blame for those developments in the art of war which have relegated him from the post of danger and of honor, the place where the Duke of Brunswick and Napoleon's marshals and, simultaneously, Wolfe and Montcalm, all fell; relegated him to safe armchairs some miles behind the disturbance.

A general on the firing line nowadays would cease to function as a general. War, through no fault of his, has been made safe for him. It only remains to improve war to such further extent as to make it safe for the other participants.—Brooklyn Eagle.

#### The Amazing Crime

Now and then one hears of "the most amazing crime in history." Generally this crime takes place in a novel. But the really "most amazing" crime seems to have been actually committed in London.

A group pretending to be the Portuguese consul general and his staff went to the English firm which prints Portuguese banknotes and ordered five million dollars' worth of the notes. The firm accepted the order, printed and delivered the notes. More than two and a half million dollars' worth were put into circulation before the fraud was discovered and the perpetrators were arrested. One of the boys, surely! Now the printing firm must pay over the \$2,500,000 to the Bank of Portugal. A heavy fine for negligence in calling up the real consul general's office and getting confirmation—Chicago Herald & Examiner.

### More Truth Than Poetry

By James J. Montague

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The poets envy sailors  
Who ply the raging sea,  
And butterflies that dip and rise  
Across the lovely lea.  
They envy soaring eagles,  
With strong and outstretched wings,  
That sweep the blue long day through;  
They're always envying things.

They wish that they were skylarks—  
Sweet-voiced and light of heart,  
Which get their fun from strains of un-  
premeditated art.  
They wish, instead of poets,  
That they were slender fauns,  
And piped soft tunes to silver moons  
On soft and grassy lawns.

They'd like to be swift reindeer  
And race across the snow,  
Where, keen and cold through wood and wold,  
The winds of winter blow.  
Or ducking, diving dolphins,  
Which love to slip and slide,  
While breakers comb in curls of foam  
Upon the tossing tide.

They never are contented.  
These folk of feet and rhyme,  
With any lot they may have got;  
They're envying all the time.  
I often think that poets  
Should have more self-restraint,  
And not complain that they ain't  
Be something that they ain't.

#### NOTHING NEW

E'en Eden had a murder plot.  
For Cain put Abel on the spot.  
SLOW DEVELOPERS  
The pigmy golf courses are now three years old. But they're very little for their age.

#### FAR-SIGHTED

Lief Ericson probably discovered America so Knute Rockne would have a chance to distinguish himself.  
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### Why You Wouldn't Hear the Gun That Killed You

If you were shot and killed instantly you would never hear the report of the gun that killed you. Why? Because in modern high power guns the bullet travels faster than the sound of the report of the gun. You would be dead before the report of the gun that killed you would reach you.

When a modern cannon is fired not only does the projectile travel ahead of the report of the powder blast, but it travels constantly ahead of the noise it makes while it is going through the air. In cannon target practice, you first see the flash of the powder and puff of smoke, then you hear nothing for a period of seconds while the projectile is on the way to the target. Then suddenly you see a great splash as the mass of metal strikes the water. After you have seen all this you hear the whine of the projectile going through the air and last of all you hear the report of the cannon, which happened first in point of time, but most distant from you.

### Why Coats Have Buttons on the Back

A long time ago coats were longer than most of those we see nowadays. The skirt part often interfered with the movements of people in a hurry. So an ingenious gentleman who was thus troubled used mainly for the purpose of cleanliness. You should have written "I should appreciate," not "I would appreciate."

### Why Iron Ships Do Not Sink

Most great ships of today, especially battleships, are built of iron and steel. Everybody knows that iron and steel will sink. Why do not iron and steel ships sink? Before any one thing can sink, it has to weigh more than the water it displaces. If anything is big enough to occupy the same space as a ton of water, it must weigh a little more than a ton before it can sink. If it is iron, but is hollow, so that it takes up more space than a ton of water, it will not sink. An empty iron cistern will not sink because a body of water as big as the cistern weighs more than the cistern. For the same reason, iron and steel ships do not sink because they are hollow and are, therefore, lighter than the same bulk of water.

### Why a Human Being Has To Learn To Swim

Practically all animals except man and monkeys know instinctively how to swim the first time they find themselves in water, even when they are babies. Why? Because men and monkeys instinctively are climbers. Monkeys live in trees. Men's ancestors lived in trees for ages. When they find themselves in water their movements are instinctively those of climbers. As a climbing motion won't do for swimming, human babies and men who have never learned to swim, drown.

### What Causes Freckles

Freckles occur only in certain types of sensitive skin. When sunlight strikes such skin it acts on certain cells of the skin and produces a yellowish brown coloring pigment, which gathers in the tiny spots we call freckles.

### This is the Right Word

By W. CURTIS NICHOLSON

The next big test, the Winter Test, will be published in the next instalment of "The Right Word." Reminders of this have been published in the last few articles. Carry the word along. Let us have a larger response than ever before. The following query has been received from Miriam Simon of Brooklyn, N. Y.:

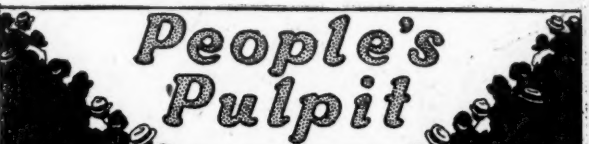
"I would appreciate it if you would inform me as to the correctness of the following sentences: (1) I appreciate, sincerely, your thoughtfulness; (2) I am writing to you with reference to one, John Smith, alias James Jones. Are the commas necessary?"

Answer: The commas setting off "sincerely" might be omitted. The commas setting off "John Smith" should be retained. Commas are used mainly for the purpose of clearness. You should have written "I should appreciate," not "I would appreciate."

"Explain the use of 'than' and 'whom,' and 'who,' whether 'than' is a conjunction or an adjective, and in what cases are 'whom' and 'who' and 'why'."

"Than whom no man is better qualified" is idiomatic and in good usage. There is no reason for explaining the case of "whom." "Who" in the second sentence is the subject of the verb "is."

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### READERS—NOTICE THIS!

The Mid-West Free Press wishes again to impress upon its readers that the People's Pulpit column is open to them. Write upon any subject you desire, local or national. Your letters will be published regardless of the editor's opinion on the subject. All communications to be printed promptly should not be over 200 words. Those longer must wait the writer's turn before publication. All communications must be signed and contain the address of the author.

Peoples Pulpit:  
As I picked up the Free Press this morning I turned the pages and read the People's Pulpit and read a letter by G. J. Peck. Mr. Peck was right and I think myself that the best thing the Free Press can do for the people is to come out clean and tell the truth to the people. Surely the Free Press must know that there are millions of unemployed walking the streets. Charity can not help the suffering of these unfortunates so why not come out in the Free Press in big type and tell the workers to speed the campaign for the Unemployment Insurance Bill. That would be the greatest thing any paper could do at this particular time. The workers and farmers must organize—in union there is strength. Look at the large amount of money spent each year to build battleships and build up the army's strength for "defense" well, to "defend" what? Take this money and help suffering humanity, not destroy humanity. War will come because the capitalist

countries want to down a workers' government (Russia) just because Russia co-operates. Russia will not fight unless it is forced to do so. It is up to some other nation to jump on these poor workers and destroy, if they can, all they have built up in these few years of co-operative government. I am not a communist, or red, but I have my eyes open not shut. I can see what is going on—and thank goodness I can read between the lines—so friends write into the People's Pulpit and give your side, give your opinion.

Lesley L. Olson,  
Kewanee, Ill.

People's Pulpit:  
I listen each day to your noon program. I think you are doing Gardiner Cowles just what he serves. I have been taking it paper. Since he has insulted our president, like he has I wouldn't take it at any price.

I am sending three subscriptions for the Midwest Free Press.  
A. R. Decker, Route 1,  
New Sharon, Iowa.

### STRANGE AS IT SEEMS...

by John Hix



The Palm tree that grows in only one place and that is at the top. The trunk never increases in size from the time it shoots out of the ground till the time the tree has reached its maximum height. At its first appearance above the ground the Palm is nothing but a great spray of leaves. As the tree grows the leaves are gradually lifted from the ground. The Palm's strange growth is due to the fact that the sap rises in the middle of the tree, thus giving all of its building to the top and the leaves in the cabbage. In other trees the sap flows through channels between the bark and the body of the tree, thus developing the trunk and branches.

E. P. Allis scored his first ace during a practice round preliminary to the Western Amateur Championship Match in 1913. His second hole-in-one came during tournament.

The starch, sugar, and cream that are used in the making of ice cream are all classed as fuel foods and produce heat in the body. Consequently, although ice cream gives a temporary cooling, ultimately it will make you warmer than before.

Fish use their fins merely for balancers, steering organs, and skates. They move through the water by means of a side-to-side movement of the tail.

Any reader wanting further proof of anything depicted here should address John Hix, care of this paper, and enclose a stamped and self-addressed envelope for reply.

JOHN HIX  
Tomorrow: The Glowworm Grotto.

### Once Overs

**How Depressing!**  
A census shows there are 1,897,241 golf addicts in the United States. These are the most alarming statistics on insanity ever made public.

President Machado has closed the Havana Yacht club on the ground that its members were too free with their criticisms of the government. There's a blow at the prerogatives of Rocking Chair Fleets the world over.

Bertha B. Salinger opines that women are not using their stockings for banks any more for fear of a run in them.

**Library Reading Room**  
The leaves of last week's newspaper I turn so quietly,  
Lest I disturb the unemployed  
Who sleeps right next to me!

**Do You Remember - - -**  
Back when the country was so orderly that all the natives had to fear was an attack by Indians?

### What Word Is This?



Yesterday's Answer: They did not wear collar and necktie like that in the days of those costumes.



### We Believe the Midwest Needs and We Advocate

1. Less taxation.
2. Fewer state commissions.
3. Universal school books.
4. Lower freight rates.
5. Return of river transportation.
6. A cleanup of some state institutions.
7. More efficiency in public offices.

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## CONTRACT LET FOR MEMORIAL TO W. NARVIS

Dedication Expected To Be Held Early Next Summer

Contract for the construction and erection of the William Narvis Memorial to be placed in Greenwood cemetery has been let to the DeWitt Marble and Granite company of De Vrie, Ia., according to announcement made today. W. A. Mathews of Muscatine is chairman of the committee arranging for the memorial.

Work has already been started but it is not believed the marker will be ready for dedication before late spring or early summer. Final dedication plans must be made by the A. O. U. W. grand lodge, which meets in Des Moines in May.

Mr. Narvis was supreme master of the Ancient Order of United Workmen for nearly 25 years. He died Dec. 31, 1928 and a movement to erect a monument to his memory was started at the grand lodge session in Council Bluffs in May, 1930. A committee, of which Mr. Mathews is chairman, was appointed at that time. Other members are J. L. Giesler and F. W. Johnston, Muscatine; Fred Walton and W. H. Stowell, Des Moines; and O. W. Collins of Ft. Dodge.

Entering the work of the A. O. U. W. lodge in 1892, Mr. Narvis was elected the master workman chair of Lodge No. 300. When that lodge consolidated with Lodge No. 10, he was re-elected to the same office. In 1899, after having been elected six times to the head of the Muscatine lodge, he was named Master Workman of Iowa. To this office he was re-elected in 1900, 1901 and 1902. He was later elected to the office of Supreme workman of the grand lodge, which office he held until he died.

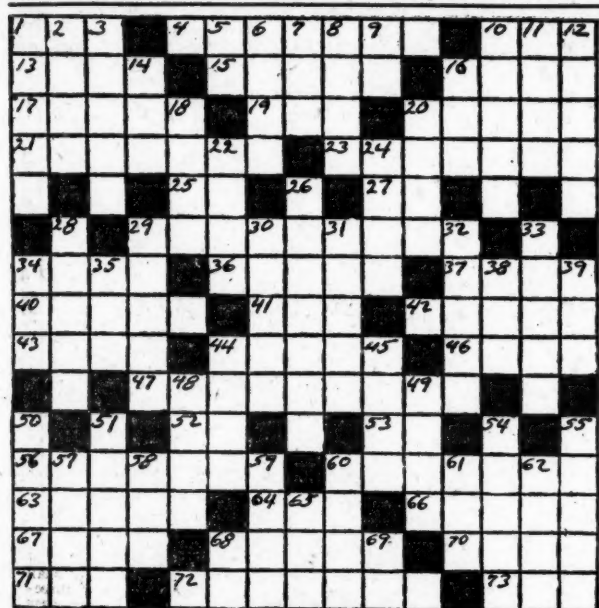
## River Frozen Over But Ice Not Thick As in Former Years

With its greatest thickness about six inches, ice in the Mississippi river is thinner this year than it has been for many winters, it is reported today. In fact it is doubtful if the river would have frozen over at all this year were the water not extremely low.

As it is, floating ice below Muscatine has probably retarded the flow of water and this, together with the fact that the river is low, has made it easy to freeze over. The river was first reported as having been frozen over on Christmas day.

Last year ice in the river is said to have been of greater thickness than many previous winters, although no record is kept of the actual thickness of the ice here at any time.

## Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 1—The legal fraternity.
- 4—Meaning.
- 10—Cut short.
- 13—Destroy.
- 15—Sea fish.
- 16—Sound of thunder.
- 17—Loose.
- 19—Anger.
- 20—Misleading.
- 21—Relative by marriage.
- 23—Mood.
- 25—Gold (symbol).
- 27—Gold in heraldry.
- 29—Bought.
- 34—Trifle.
- 36—Dip.
- 37—Pieces out.
- 40—Tapestry.
- 41—Insect.
- 42—Imbecile.
- 43—Despoils.
- 44—Fur-bearing animal.
- 46—New paragraph.
- 47—Lodging.
- 52—Afterthought (abbr.).
- 53—Highway (abbr.).
- 56—Establish in office.
- 60—Chief administrative officer of a French Department.
- 63—Pertaining to the nose.
- 64—Animal's call.
- 66—Scoundrel.
- 67—Always.
- 68—Money holder.
- 70—Entrance.
- 71—A number of pieces belonging together.
- 72—Command.
- 73—Direct.

### DOWN

- 1—Brisk encounter.
- 2—Near relative.
- 3—Ceremonials.
- 5—Pronoun.
- 6—Precipitation.
- 7—Animal sound.
- 8—Crude miners.
- 9—Means of transportation (abbr.).
- 10—Contradict.
- 11—Oven.
- 12—Consecrate.
- 14—Bite.
- 16—Equality.

Yesterday's Solution

ACROSS: 1. BRISK, 4. MEETING, 10. SHORT, 13. DESTROY, 15. FISH, 16. THUNDER, 17. LOOSE, 19. ANGER, 20. MISLEADING, 21. RELATIVE, 23. MOOD, 25. GOLD, 27. GOLD, 29. BOUGHT, 34. TRIFLE, 36. DIP, 37. PIECES, 40. TAPESTRY, 41. INSECT, 42. IMBECILE, 43. DESPOILS, 44. BEAR, 46. PARAGRAPH, 47. LODGING, 52. AFTER, 53. HIGHWAY, 56. ESTABLISH, 60. CHIEF, 63. PERTAINING, 64. ANIMAL, 66. SCOUNDREL, 67. ALWAYS, 68. MONEY, 70. ENTRANCE, 71. NUMBER, 72. COMMAND, 73. DIRECT.

DOWN: 1. BRISK, 2. NEAR, 3. CEREMONIALS, 5. PRONOUN, 6. PRECIPITATION, 7. ANIMAL, 8. CRUDE, 9. MEANS, 10. CONTRADICT, 11. OVEN, 12. CONSECRATE, 14. BITE, 16. EQUALITY.

## RACKETEERS GRIP NEW YORK CITY; GANG METHODS TO FIGHT WORKERS

NEW YORK.—(Special)—The district attorney invited 50 representative citizens to confer with him on how to combat racketeers who levy tribute on practically every industry and calling in this city.

The district attorney's list included clergymen, trade unionists, publishers, state officials, industrialists and bankers.

Benjamin Schlesinger, president of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, estimates that \$2,000,000 is taken out of the local garment industry every year by these racketeers.

The racketeer terrifies business men to make monthly contributions by threats of personal violence or bombing their plants.

Racketeering is considered a good investment by the long-hour, low-wage employer who finds a

profit in operating on the anti-union basis. Gangsters and strong-arm men keep unionists from these non-union plants. If a unionist fails to obey orders he is "taken for a ride."

The district attorney said racketeers "have their hands in everything from the cradle to the grave—from babies' milk to funeral coaches."

It is estimated that gangdom shakes down \$5,000,000 annually from consignees of ship and railroad freight, levying a tribute of 3 cents on every hundred weight of goods delivered here. Every pier and railroad station in this city but one is dominated by racketeers, it is stated.

Laundries and cleaning and dyeing shops contribute \$1,000,000 to save garments placed in their care from being slashed, stolen or ruined by acid.



## JUST KIDDIES

BY THORNTON W. BURGESS

### Poor, Poor Mrs. Grouse

It's dreadful things that some people will do! I can't see why anyone loves them, can you?

Poor Mrs. Grouse! Was ever any one in worse trouble? There she hung by one leg from a wire fastened to a little tree. It was a snare, which you know, is a kind of trap, and one of the meanest of all traps. Had she poked her head through the little opening in the brush fence she would have been caught by the neck. The little wire loop which had been carefully placed there would have choked her to death, and by this time she would have been hanging cold and stiff from the little tree.

It would have been a dreadful way to have life end, but it would have been a quick ending. She would hardly have known what had happened. But she didn't poke her head through that little loop of wire. Instead, she stepped in another little loop cunningly spread on the snow and now she was hanging head down from that little tree which had been bent over and had snapped up straight when she had pulled that little wire around her leg. It had snatched her up in the air with it, the wire cutting into her leg cruelly.

But it wasn't the pain of this from which Mrs. Grouse suffered most. Indeed, she hardly felt it at all. It was the terror of being helpless and wondering what dreadful thing would happen to her. Many, many times had Mrs. Grouse been terribly frightened, for she had had many narrow escapes from

those who had hunted her, but with her fright had always been the feeling that she could escape if only she used her wits. Her wits, her legs and her stout wings she had been free to use excepting once when she was caught under an icy crust which had formed



over her while she slept. That time she had felt something of the same helplessness and hopelessness until Farmer Brown's boy had found her and set her free, and yet it had not been as bad then as now, for under that crust starvation was all she had to fear. None of her enemies could find her there. But now supposing fierce Mr. Goshawk should happen along. Supposing she should hang there until night when Hooty the Owl began hunting! He would be sure to find her, for he would see her long legs in his eyes there was also sorrow and pity.

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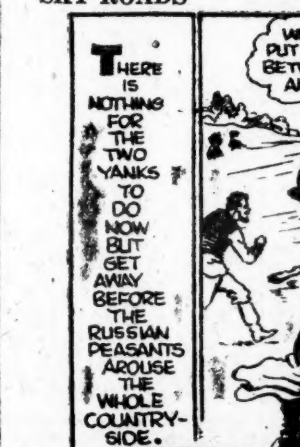
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"SKY ROADS"



"BUCK ROGERS, 2429 A. D."



## Near Beer Is Made By New York Woman

NEW YORK.—(INS)—Mrs. Annie Boettger is the only woman truck driver in this city. Inheriting a small near beer business from her husband six years ago, Mrs. Boettger now makes the beer, loads it on her truck in large cases weighing 70 pounds, jumps up on the driver's seat and delivers it to her customers.

## WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Ia.—(Special)—Funeral services for C. L. Cunningham, who died while funeral services were being conducted for his wife Tuesday, were held from the Jones Funeral home yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Cunningham died Sunday. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham died of pneumonia.

One son, Andrew, survives the couple. Mr. Cunningham is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Flora V. Adams of Davenport and Mrs. Ruth Helwick of Washington, Ia. L. E. Larson, 63, retired farmer, died Tuesday morning, December 30th, at his home, after a lingering illness. Funeral services were held yesterday at the Sherman Funeral Home. Mr. Larson came to America from Sweden 19 years of age. He worked at the John Deere plant and works in Moline until 1907 when the family moved to Washington county. His widow, two daughters, Mrs. Merle Eckles and Mrs. Dewey Weeks of this community and one son, Berge Larson, of Detroit, survive. He also leaves two brothers, Gust Bergeson, of Rock Island and John Bergeson of Moline.

The I. O. O. F. lodge will have charge of the services at the grave and burial will be in Elm Grove cemetery.

stout wings until she was so tired that she could hardly move them, but all it did was to tighten that wire around her leg. Big tears filled her eyes as she hung head down panting for breath. The Jolly Little Sunbeams came stealing through the Green Forest, making it very beautiful in its cloak of pure white snow. But there was no beauty in it for Mrs. Grouse. It had snatched her up in the air with it, the wire cutting into her leg cruelly.

They found her hanging there, and then they stole away from that place, for there was nothing they could do to help and they couldn't, they just couldn't lend of their brightness to a place where such a terrible thing had happened. Mrs. Grouse closed her eyes. She couldn't bear to look out on this little part of her world where she had been so happy in spite of all its dangers.

"What can I do? What can I do?" she moaned.

"There is nothing you can do," replied a voice.

She opened her eyes. There looking up at her, was Reddy Fox, and although there was hunger and longing in his eyes there was also sorrow and pity.

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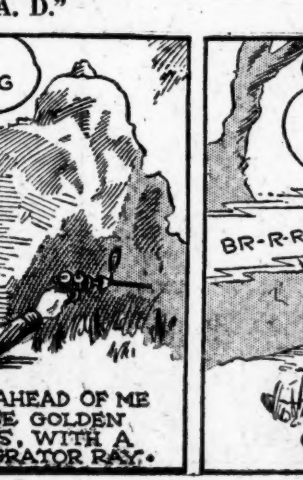
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## Students Printing Pot Hook Magazine

NEW YORK.—(INS)—Students in stenography in the Abraham Lincoln High School here have started a magazine printed all in shorthand characters.

An editorial, an article by the principal of the school, club gossip, and two short stories for the 300 club members who form the magazine's circulation were in the first issue of the Short-O-Gram. To the uninitiated they were just pot hooks and meaningless symbols.

## MEDIAPOLIS

MEDIAPOLIS, Ia.—(Special)—Elimination for declamatory will be held this month and the local contest will be held early in February. The County contest will also be at Mediapolis. In the oratorical group ten have entered, humorous, fifteen, dramatic, eleven.

Progress Lodge A. F. & A. M. and White Star Chapter of the order of the Eastern Star held a joint installation at their hall yesterday. The following students will return this week to college: Wendell Walker and Ralph Paris, Coe; Mary Adell, Creighton; Sue Eland and Wilfred Eland, Parsons; Dale McConnell, Cornell; Marguerite Stewart, Stevens College at Columbia, Mo.; Forest Stewart, Iowa Wesleyan; Howard Kennedy, Geneva College in Pennsylvania; Louise Bergen, Augustana; Richard Loggren, Iowa U.

Miss Josephine McConnell leaves Friday for Iowa City where she will visit her brother, T. R. McConnell who teaches at the University. From there she returns to her school at Loras, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bullis and son Kenneth visited at Cone, Sunday.

Mrs. J. B. Stevenson and two children returned from Chicago Sunday where they visited Mr. Stevenson.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. church held their regular meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. S. N. Bice.

## TIPTON

TIPTON, Ia.—(Special)—The past noble grand circle of the T. O. P. lodge held its annual Christmas party in the lodge hall Tuesday evening. At 6:30 o'clock a dinner was served. The exchange of gifts and cards furnished diversion for the remainder of the evening.

Clarence Perkins is leaving for Kansas City the first of the year where he will enter business college.

Alva Crapuz, is moving his family here from Clinton. They will make their home in the old Rumble residence.

Hubert Miller of Cedar Rapids is visiting at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Miller.

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## NEW OFFICIALS ENTER COUNTY SERVICE TODAY

Van Dyke Takes Over Treasurer's Work; Coder, Auditor

Leadership of two important county offices, those of treasurer and auditor, passed officially into new hands today when Robert A. Van Dyke, former city recorder, assumed his new duties as county treasurer, replacing Mrs. Frances B. Rosenbaum, and Kenneth V. Coder took over the county auditorship relinquished by Charles H. Pitchforth. Both were sworn in this morning.

One change in the personnel of the treasurer's staff was made by Mr. Van Dyke, with Arlo Griffin assuming his new duties as clerk in place of Morris Dimmick, who has been serving in a temporary capacity. Arthur Nicholson remains his work as first deputy and Miss Hazel Phillips as second deputy. Both have been employed in the treasurer's office for several years. Miss Eloise Sharer, who is at present in the automobile license bureau, remains as clerk with Mr. Griffin.

NEW AUDITOR'S STAFF

Mr. Coder begins his term as auditor with an entire new staff of workers. Ernest Peters of West Liberty being his first deputy, Miss Josephine Fry, second deputy and Miss Flossie Christianson as clerk.

The retirement of Mr. Pitchforth from county service, also ended the work of his complete staff of office assistants. Those who completed their duties are Miss Grace Griffin, first deputy, Mrs. Margaret Shoultz, second deputy, and Miss Gertrude TeStrake, clerk.

Mr. Van Dyke, who is succeeded as city recorder by Floyd Kinney, former clerk in the office of the district clerk, at the court house, was formerly associated with Charles Pitchforth when he first took over the county auditor's office. After leaving the court house, Van Dyke served for a term or two as city recorder.

ENDED LONG SERVICE

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